Couch tissue box cover

Flat box · US terms



Finished size
About 9½ × 6¾ in (24 × 17 cm)
About 11½ in (29 cm) wide with its arms, 6 in (15 cm) deep and 6¾ in (17 cm) tall. To fit a flat tissue box about 9¼ in (23.5 cm) long, 4¾ in (12 cm) wide and up to 2½ in (6.5 cm) tall

Skill
Intermediate
Every piece is plain, but there are many of them to stuff and sew together.

Yarn
Medium (4), 4 colors

Hook
4 mm (US G-6)

Gauge
16 stitches and 17 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: dusty teal, the couch	**about 500 yd (457 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: cream, the throw, the buttons and the hem	**about 40 yd (37 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: mustard, the pillow and half of the squares	**about 25 yd (23 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: coral, half of the squares	**about 10 yd (9 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 290 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 200 yd (183 m).

Fiber: acrylic

Hook: 4 mm (US G-6), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: toy stuffing, about 4 oz (115 g), pins, 4 stitch markers, a yarn needle, scissors and a piece of stiff card 9 in (23 cm) by 6 in (15 cm), for the back.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Fits	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Flat box (this file)	**a flat tissue box about 9¼ in (23.5 cm) long, 4¾ in (12 cm) wide and up to 2½ in (6.5 cm) tall**	**9½ × 6¾ in (24 × 17 cm)**	**about 575 yd (526 m)**
Long box	a flat tissue box about 10¾ in (27.5 cm) long, 4¾ in (12 cm) wide and up to 2½ in (6.5 cm) tall	11 × 6¾ in (28 × 17 cm)	about 630 yd (576 m)

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Gauge

16 stitches and 17 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

The granny squares are measured when they are done: each is about 2 in (5 cm) across.

The pattern also stops you to measure after round 11.

> **The swatch.** A test piece to measure and pull out. It is not the start of the pattern. Lay it flat and count the stitches over 4 in (10 cm) in its middle. There should be 16 stitches; rows worked back and forth are not quite as tall as rounds, so go by the stitches. If you count more stitches than that, change to a larger hook; if you count fewer, change to a smaller hook. The swatch can be pulled out and its yarn used again.
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Swatch foundation	Ch 25.	
Swatch row 1 (RS)	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(24 sc)
Swatch rows 2 to 26	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(24 sc)

Notes

- Each round is joined with a slip stitch in its first stitch. The chain at the start of a round does not count as a stitch; work the first stitch of the round into the stitch the round before was joined in. This is for all the rounds but those of the squares. The right side, the outside, faces you in all the rounds.
- The squares: the chain of 3 at the start of a round counts as its first double crochet (UK treble). Fasten off the first color before the second is joined in a corner space.
- The skirt, the seat halves and the pillow are worked in rows. The chain of 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch.
- Begin with a magic ring: wind the yarn once round two fingers, put the hook through the ring and draw up a loop. Work round 1 into the ring, then pull the tail to draw the ring closed.
- Where the pattern says BLO, put the hook under the back loop only; the front loop stays free on the outside as a ridge. This is in the wall and in the arm rolls.
- To change color in the skirt, draw the new yarn through as the last yarn over of the last stitch of row 4, and work the chain of 1 of row 5 with it. Cut the old yarn, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).
- sc2tog: draw up a loop in each of the next 2 stitches, yarn over and pull through all 3 loops on the hook.
- A bobble counts as one stitch. In the row after it work one single crochet in its top.
- Measure the box: its length, its width and its height. The box goes in from below, its opening under the gap of the seat. If the opening of the box is long, the tissue still comes up in its middle.
- Colors. The wall, the seat, the back, the arm rolls and the cushions are A, the buttons B. The skirt is A with its last row in B. A square is C or D in round 1 and B in round 2. The pillow is C.

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Instructions

Flat box. US terms.

ch chain, **sl st** slip stitch, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **dc** double crochet (UK treble), **MR** magic ring, **st** stitch, **sp** space, **rnd** round.
sc2tog 2 sc made into one. **BLO**: only the loop away from you. **yo** yarn over the hook, **RS** right side, the one that shows.
2 sc in next st: both in one stitch. **sc in next 3 sts**: one in each. **ch-2 sp**: the gap under two chains; the hook goes in the gap.
[ ] 19 times: work what is inside 19 times in all. **( )**: all of it goes into the one place.
(116 sc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Special stitches

bo (Bobble): [yo, insert hook in the place named, yo, pull up a loop, yo, pull through 2 loops] 4 times, yo, pull through all 5 loops on hook. Push it out to the right side.

Wall

Yarn A, dusty teal.

The foundation chain is the lower edge; see that it is not twisted before it is joined. In every round stitches 1 to 38 are the back, stitches 39 to 58 one end, stitches 59 to 96 the front and stitches 97 to 116 the other end.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 116, sl st in first ch to form a ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in each ch around, sl st in first sc to join	(116 sc)
☐ **Rnds 2 to 6**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(116 sc)

2 3 4 5 6

☐ **Rnd 7**	Ch 1, sc in BLO of each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(116 sc)
☐ **Rnds 8 to 11**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(116 sc)

The heavy box is where you stop and measure.

8 9 10 **11**

> **Stop and measure now, after round 11.** The wall should be about 2½ in (6.5 cm) tall.

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Skirt

Yarns in order of use: A, dusty teal; B, cream.

The skirt goes along one end, the front and the other end; there is none at the back, where the back of the couch will lie against the wall. Turn the wall upside down, the foundation chain up and the outside toward you. Join A with a slip stitch in the free front loop of stitch 116 of round 6, the last stitch of that round, and chain 1, which does not count as a stitch. Work to the left; the first stitch goes where A is joined, the last one in the free front loop of stitch 39. The skirt hangs down over the lower part of the wall, its cream edge just above the table.

☐ **Foundation**	The free front loops of stitches 116 to 39 of round 6 of the wall, RS facing; 78 stitches.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in each st across	(78 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; **[**sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 19 times**, sc in next 2 sts	(97 sc)
☐ **Rows 3 to 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(97 sc)

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☐ **Row 5 (RS)**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(97 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Half of the seat: make 2

Yarn A, dusty teal.

The foundation chain is the front edge.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 18.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(17 sc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 20**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(17 sc)

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20

☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Back

Yarn A, dusty teal.

This is a wide tube, open at both ends. The foundation chain is its lower edge.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 76, sl st in first ch to form a ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in each ch around, sl st in first sc to join	(76 sc)
☐ **Rnds 2 to 26**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(76 sc)

2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

☐ **Rnd 27**	Ch 1, **[**sc2tog, sc in next 34 sts, sc2tog**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(72 sc)
☐ **Rnd 28**	Ch 1, **[**sc2tog, sc in next 32 sts, sc2tog**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(68 sc)
☐ **Rnd 29**	Ch 1, **[**sc2tog, sc in next 30 sts, sc2tog**] 2 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(64 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 32 in (81.5 cm) for sewing.	

Arm roll: make 2

Yarn A, dusty teal.

Begin at the round front. Stuff the roll firmly as you go and again before the last round.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 6 sc in MR, pull the tail to close the ring, sl st in first sc to join	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, 2 sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(24 sc)

Roll

☐ **Rnd 5**	Ch 1, sc in BLO of each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnds 6 to 25**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join	(24 sc)

6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

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Other end

☐ **Rnd 26**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next 2 sts, sc2tog**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 27**	Ch 1, **[**sc in next st, sc2tog**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 28**	Ch 1, **[**sc2tog**] 6 times**, sl st in first sc to join	(6 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 38 in (96.5 cm) for sewing.	

Seat cushion: make 2

Yarn A, dusty teal.

A tube whose two open ends are the left and the right side of the cushion.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 36, sl st in first ch to form a ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in each ch around, sl st in first sc to join	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnds 2 to 16**	Ch 1, sc in each st around, sl st in first sc to join 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16	(36 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 22 in (56 cm) for sewing.	

Button: make 7

Yarn B, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 1, 8 sc in MR, pull the tail to close the ring, sl st in first sc to join	(8 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 12 in (30.5 cm) for sewing.	

Mustard square: make 3

Yarns in order of use: C, mustard; B, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 4, sl st in first ch to form a ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in ring, ch 2, **[**3 dc in ring, ch 2**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	(12 dc, 4 ch-2 sps)
☐ **Rnd 2**	Join B with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	(24 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 4 ch-1 sps)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Coral square: make 3

Yarns in order of use: D, coral; B, cream.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 4, sl st in first ch to form a ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	Ch 3 (counts as dc), 2 dc in ring, ch 2, **[**3 dc in ring, ch 2**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	(12 dc, 4 ch-2 sps)

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☐ **Rnd 2**	Join B with sl st in any ch-2 sp, ch 3 (counts as dc), (2 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in same sp, ch 1, **[**(3 dc, ch 2, 3 dc) in next ch-2 sp, ch 1**] 3 times**, sl st in top of ch-3 to join	(24 dc, 4 ch-2 sps, 4 ch-1 sps)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Pillow front

Yarn C, mustard.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 10.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(9 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(9 sc)
☐ **Row 3 (RS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next st, **[**bo in next st, sc in next st**] 4 times**	(5 sc, 4 bo)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(9 sc)
☐ **Row 5 (RS)**	Ch 1, turn; sc in next 2 sts, **[**bo in next st, sc in next st**] 3 times**, sc in next st	(6 sc, 3 bo)
☐ **Rows 6 to 10**	Repeat rows 2 to 5 in order, over and over. The last row, row 10, is worked as row 2.	
	6 7 8 9 10	
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Pillow back

Yarn C, mustard.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 10.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(9 sc)
☐ **Rows 2 to 10**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(9 sc)
	2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 38 in (96.5 cm) for sewing.	

Assembly

1. Weave in all the tails on the wrong side, all but the long tails. The starting tails of the arm rolls stay inside them.

2. Mark the wall. Put a marker in stitches 1, 39, 59 and 97 of round 11, the first stitch of each of its four sides. Fold the wall sharply between each of them and the stitch before it: these are the four corners.

3. The seat. Lay one half in the top of the wall, right side up, at one end of the couch, its foundation chain toward the front. Cut a length of A 50 in (127 cm) long and begin at the inner end of its last row. Whip stitch it to round 11, edge to edge: the 17 stitches of its last row to the 17 stitches of the back next to the corner, the ends of its 20 rows to the 20 stitches of the end, and its 17 chains to the 17 stitches of the front next to the corner. Whip stitch: put the needle through one edge and through the other, one stitch for each stitch or row, and draw the yarn snug. Fasten off on the inside and draw both ends of the length along the seam. Sew in the other half at the other end in the same way. A gap 4 stitches wide stays open between the two halves, from the front to the back, for the tissue. Take the markers out.

4. The back. Lay the tube flat, the right side out, so that the decreases are at its two sides. With its tail whip stitch the top shut: 32 stitches to 32 stitches. Cut a piece of card 9 in (23 cm) wide and 6 in (15 cm) tall, round its two upper corners, and put it in from below, with a thin layer of stuffing on each side of it. Cut a length of A 38 in (96.5 cm) long and whip stitch the lower edge shut, 38 chains to 38 chains. Fasten off, and draw all the ends inside.

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5. The buttons. They go on the front of the back in two lines: 4 on round 24 and 3 on round 17. Round 24 has 38 stitches across the front. In the upper line the two middle buttons stand 4 stitches to each side of the middle of them, and from the middle of one button to the middle of the next are 8 stitches. In the lower line each button stands below the middle of the space between two of the upper ones. Set a button on, right side up, and with its tail sew it down round its edge: up through the back and the edge of the button, down beside the edge, 8 stitches. Take one more stitch down through the middle of the button into the stuffing and up again a stitch away, pull it so that a dimple comes, and fasten off under the button.

6. Set the back behind the wall, the buttons toward the front, the two lower edges level on the table, and pin it. The skirt ends at the two back corners, so wall and back lie against each other from the table up; hold the two ends of the skirt out of the way. Cut a length of A 66 in (167.5 cm) long. Whip stitch the two together: up one corner of the wall, 11 rounds to 11 rounds, the needle going through the corner of the wall and through the front layer of the back at its side edge; along the top edge of the wall, the 38 stitches of round 11 to the 38 front stitches of round 11 of the back; and down the other corner. Fasten off and draw both ends inside the back.

7. The arm rolls. Draw the tail through the 6 stitches of the last round, pull the hole shut and leave the tail hanging. Lay a roll along the top edge of one end of the couch, its round front level with the front, its tail end against the back, and shift it outward, so that 1 in (2.5 cm) of it, a little more than half of its thickness of about 2 in (5 cm), stands out over the end. Pin it. With its tail sew it down along two lines, with whip stitch. First go along the outside, from the back to the front: 20 stitches, each through one stitch of round 10 of the wall and through one round of the roll, where the two touch. Then bring the needle through to the seat and go back along the seat, 20 stitches, each through one row of the seat beside the roll and one round of the roll. Fasten off under the roll. Sew on the other roll at the other end in the same way.

8. The cushions. Lay a tube flat, the right side out, and whip stitch one end shut with its tail, 18 stitches to 18 stitches. Stuff it softly, about 1 in (2.5 cm) thick, and shut the other end with a length of A 22 in (56 cm) long, 18 chains to 18 chains. Draw the ends inside. Make the other one in the same way. Lay them side by side on the seat between the two arm rolls, one at each side of the middle, the folds at the front and at the back, the sewn ends toward the arms and toward each other. They nearly meet over the gap of the seat, and the tissue comes up between them. They are not sewn on.

9. The throw. Lay the six squares, right side up, in three rows of two, the two colors by turns. Cut three lengths of B 30 in (76 cm) long and whip stitch the squares together, right sides up, through the back loops of their edges, 9 stitches for each side of a square: one in each of its 7 places, the 6 dc and the ch-1 sp, and one in the chain at each end. Sew the seam between the two columns first, 27 stitches, then the two seams across, 18 stitches each. Weave all the ends in on the wrong side. Hang the throw over the back, near one arm, with about half of its length in front, and fix it at the top edge with two small stitches of B, a length of 10 in (25.5 cm), the ends drawn inside the back.

10. The pillow. Lay the front on the pillow back with the wrong sides together and both foundation chains at the same edge. With the tail of the pillow back whip stitch them together round all four sides, 9 stitches along the top and the bottom and 10 rows along each side; before the last side put a little stuffing in. Draw the end inside. Set the pillow in the corner at the other arm.

Finishing

- Pat the cushions flat and even, and draw the tissue up between them.

In all: 23 pieces.

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